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SUBJECT: TRADE AGREEMENT: HUNGARIAN PRESS COVERAGE

1. NEPSZABADSAG APRIL 15 CARRIED A HUNGARIAN NEWS
SERVICE (MTI) STORY ON APRIL 14 HOUSE HEARING ON TRADE
BILL (A SLIGHTLY SHORTER VERSION WAS CARRIED IN APRIL 15
MTI ENGLISH BULLETIN). STORY WAS UPBEAT, CONCLUDING
THAT "THERE WILL HARDLY BE ANY DIFFICULTY IN THE WAY OF
RATIFICATION."

2. ARTICLE BRIEFLY SUMMARIZED TESTIMONY BY NIMETZ,
LANDE, AND GEORGE, EMPHASIZING TRADE ASPECTS IN EACH
CASE BUT MENTIONING THAT NIMETZ HAD REFERRED TO GENERALLY
IMPROVING RELATIONS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND EAST
EUROPEAN. NATIONS, INCLUDING HUNGARY. ARTICLE MENTIONED
THAT REPRESENTATIVES OF EAST-WEST CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,
INSTITUTE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS (SIC), AND AMERICAN-
HUNGARIAN ECONOMIC COUNCIL SPOKE IN FAVOR.

3. ARTICLE SAID THAT US GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES ASSURED
THE CONGRESSMEN THAT "THEY SAW NO POLITICAL OBJECTION
TO PUTTING THE TRADE AGREEMENT INTO FORCE"; THERE WAS
NO DIRECT REFERENCE TO EMIGRATION. OPPOSING TESTIMONY
BY AFL-CIO WAS NOT MENTIONED, NOR WAS DUMPING ISSUE.

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